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Subject: Coutts

Hi Marlin, please give me a call after you read this. As I understand it then PM will be having a call with the Premiers in about an hour and a half. The PM is going to be speaking to this so I want to make sure that our Premier is briefed as well as possible.

Unfolding event of late Sunday night - 22 02 14, at approximately 22:00 hrs a tractor tried to forcibly push a RCMP police vehicle out of a checkpoint with the assistance of a Pick-up truck. The situation was quite tense. Ultimately after a brief foot chase RCMP members could not apprehend the suspect before he managed to enter the saloon. The RCMP seized the vehicles involved.

At approximately 23:57 hrs, pursuant to above activity, two suspects who are part of the core protestors group and have been identified as part of their security cell, were arrested.

On Monday, 2022 02 14, at approximately 01:00 hrs, other key protestor within the security cell were also arrested as well as the suspect who tried to ram the police vehicle. A search warrant was being executed at a residence in Coutts and the trailer associated to that residence. A search warrant already executed at the saloon, the main meeting place for the security call, was negative for weapons.

At approximately 03:00 hrs, search warrants were executed at the residence in Coutts and the associated trailer. At these locations RCMP located a significant stash of weapons including carbines. The search was ongoing through the night. Further reporting on this to follow.

John

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- in briefing now.
- equipment
- raised concerns - Kenny & others
 - could blame situation on pov
 - very further influence community of Blockader
 - sympathy, - martial law
 - consider more quickly
- * - communication → copy of statement.
- conversation with to make application for computer
- could declare own state of emergency - AB